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**AIIMS not Equipped to Handle AIDS**

4491. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE:

SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI:

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "AIIMS not equipped to handle AIDS" appearing in the 'Hindustan Times' of July 31, 1991;

(b) whether the AIIMS is not equipped to handle AIDS and HIV patients;

(c) whether the recently constituted high powered committee at a meeting discussed the various aspects of AIDS infected patients;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) what measures are proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) The Government has seen the news item.

(b) No The All India Institute of Medical Sciences is fully equipped to handle HIV infected persons and AIDS patients.

(c) to (e) Requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

**Protest Against Implementation of Tikku Report**

4492. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the doctors working in various Government hospitals have recently protested against the implementation of the Tikku Committee report;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government have agreed to reconsider the recommendations made by the Tikku Committee report;

(c) if so, the details of the recommendations made by the Report which have been implemented; and

(d) the details of the recommendations which are disputed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (d) The Joint Action Council of Service Doctor Organisations have urged the Government to implement the recommendations of Tikku Committee Report in toto without any dilution.

The Specialist Officers Association of Central Health Service have requested certain modifications in the recommendations of the report. The important modifications proposed by them relate to parity in the Specialists Sub-cadres, 3 time scale promotions with lesser number of years of service, conversion of posts in the scale of Rs. 4500-5700 (Functional) to Senior Administrative Grade (Rs. 5900-7300), recruitment in Specialist Cadre by open selection through UPSC, reservation Higher Administrative Grade posts for Consultants/Director, Professors/Heads of major Institutions, General Duty Medical Officers should be posted in dispensaries and Specialists in hospitals, increase in age of retirement to 60 years, etc.

The recommendations of Tikku Committee are under consideration.

**Scheme formulated by University Grants Commission to Eradicate Adult Illiteracy from Karnataka**

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